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MEETINGS 3-1

MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA STAFF MEETING, 15 MARCH 1960

PRESENT: 25X1A9a [REDACTED]

1. New Work

a. D/GG

D/GG is working on a supplement to the Burma NIE, which is a run-down of the Border Agreement. Cuban Urban work continues; the Paraguay project may be delayed in favor of doing some additional work on Cuban cities.

2. Travel Plans

a. D/GG

DD/P has requested that 25X1A9a [REDACTED] spend 6 weeks in South Korea while on his area familiarization trip in the Far East; this will be discussed further with DD/P.

b. D/GC

25X1A9a [REDACTED] is in Zurich attending the International Cartographic Course at the Federal Cartographic Institute.

c. D/GL

Arrangements have been made for 25X1A9a [REDACTED] to go to Paraguay.

3. Significant Conversations and Contacts

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a. Briefing of [REDACTED]

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25X1X7N9 [REDACTED] reported he is scheduled to brief 25X1A9a [REDACTED] Assistant Director with responsibility for Military Geography, tomorrow at 3:00. [REDACTED] was asked to be on "stand-by" for possible calling into this briefing.

4. Problems

a. Overload

25X1A9a [REDACTED] reported on one big continuing problem -- that of an overload of requests.

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5. Study of the National Power of the United States vs. the Soviet Union

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[redacted] has been designated by the DD/I to head up an inter-departmental group to prepare a report for the President within the next 4 to 6 weeks on the National Power of the United States (Free World) vs. the Soviet Union (Soviet Bloc) -- 1960-65 and 1965-70. This is to be a study of national strengths to accomplish national objectives. [redacted] 25X1A9a has been asked to interpret the various geographic elements which have an effect on national power. [redacted] indicated he would like to discuss 25X1A9a this with some of the Division personnel, and a meeting was set up for 22 March at 0930 in [redacted] at which it was asked that the following be

25X1A9a present:

25X1A9a [redacted] suggested that these personnel read some of the available literature on the subject prior to the meeting.

25X1A9a 6. Geographic Exchange

[redacted] reported on the most recent developments with regard to the Geographic Exchange. He has reviewed the itinerary discussed with 25X1A9a the Russians by [redacted] and made suggested changes both to [redacted] and 25X1A9a to [redacted] (for passage to East-West). [redacted] also reported 25X1A9a that the Embassy has approved the participation of [redacted] in the Exchange.

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21 Apr. 7. Travel to AAG Meetings in Dallas

[redacted] informed the Division Chiefs that the planned departure time for the plane transporting the group to Dallas for the AAG Meetings 25X1A9a p.m., 17 April; the group will leave Dallas at 1:00 p.m., 21 April. [redacted] read the "conditions" of travel by the plane; this statement will be circulated 25X1A9a Division Chief so that he may inform his people. It was asked that [redacted] submit the names of D/GG and D/GC personnel who will be going, indicating which are to be fully sponsored; 16 seats are available for GG and GC personnel.

8. Security Regarding Papers on Trips

25X1A9a [redacted] read from CIA Regulation 10-6 and Handbook 10-500-1 regarding security regulations on the carrying or transmitting of classified materials while on a trip. To carry these materials with you, you must be designated an "authorized courier" prior to the trip, and the materials must be kept with you at all times in a briefcase supplied by the Office of Security. Registered mail may be used on trips within the Continental U.S., but not for foreign trips. Material on foreign trips may be pouched to the various stations.

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9. IGU Meetings

a. Meeting for Personnel Going to IGU on "Sponsored" Basis

A meeting will be held in the near future to outline specific objectives for personnel going officially to the IGU meetings.

b. IGU Requirements

25X1A9a [REDACTED] noted the requirement submitted on the IGU by D/GL for Contact Specialists, and suggested that D/GG should submit a similar requirement. [REDACTED] stated that D/GG was waiting until after the meeting was held outlining specific objectives. 25X1A9a

c. List of Soviet Papers

25X1A9a [REDACTED] has circulated to the divisions copies of a list of Soviet Papers to be presented at the IGU Meetings, which he received from the Russians. 25X1A9a [REDACTED] can get selected papers before the meetings.

d. Room with Translators

25X1A9a [REDACTED] is working on getting a room set up with translators for the IGU meetings; [REDACTED] have already agreed to this. [REDACTED] will attempt to get someone from one of the Embassies. 25X1X7+ 25X1A9a

e. Geographic Attaches at the IGU

25X1A9a [REDACTED] reported that it is planned to have four of the GA's at the IGU Meetings: [REDACTED]

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10. Training at [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

25X1A6a [REDACTED] reported that the week spent at [REDACTED] by several GG and GC personnel was very worthwhile. A summation of what was covered during the week will be presented to [REDACTED] on Friday, 18 March. 25X1A9a

11. New Cover for the Map Acquisitions Lists

25X1A9a [REDACTED] showed the group the new cover to be used for the Map Acquisitions Lists; the seals of all seven agencies which participate in the IAMPCC appear on the cover.

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12. Map Servicing by Percy's Office  
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██████████ stated that a memorandum is being prepared clarifying map services to be done by ██████████ office. 25X1A9a

13. Map Collection in OCI Graphics 25X1A9a

25X1A9a In answer to a request from ██████████, OCI Graphics, to have his  
25X1A9a map collection put in order, ██████████ met with  
██████████. It was found that ██████████ has been servicing various 25X1A9a  
parts of the DD/I Area, as well as the DD/I and higher officials from  
his limited collection of maps, rather than referring requests to the  
Map Library. The necessity of having all requests serviced from the  
large collection at the Map Library was discussed with ██████████, and 25X1A9a  
later brought to the attention of Ch/G, the AD/RR and the DD/I. This  
will be done as soon as we can arrange for the after-hours coverage which  
will be required.